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Mitch O'Farrell, Councilmember, 13th District



Friend --

Los Angeles is a city on the move.

My office is working on neighborhood improvements every day to enhance your quality of life and make our streets safer for pedestrians. As you'll see below, this week we collaborated with the Department of Transportation to install a new four-way stop in Echo Park and an advanced pedestrian warning device in East Hollywood. Since taking office in July of 2013, **we have completed 21 pedestrian safety measures across the district.** Many more are on the way.

Also this week I helped break ground on a new affordable housing project just a short walk from the Vermont/Beverly Metro Station. Meridian Apartments will provide 100 affordable units, and is a truly sustainable development that will improve the built environment near a major transit corridor in the City of Los Angeles. This LEED-certified project is something I am extremely proud of -- it's one of the first that came through my office for approval. In order to provide additional affordable units at the site, my office supported and facilitated the applicant to ensure the project would include larger apartments to match the needs of low-income families.

And as I work on solutions to our affordable housing and homelessness crises, my colleagues and I approved a [Comprehensive Homelessness Strategy Report](#), a blueprint to ending homelessness in the City of Los Angeles. These strategies include fully funding the affordable housing trust fund, creating more bridge housing and emergency shelters, and exploring solutions for addressing youth homelessness. There is still more to do on this issue, and the real work will begin in the coming months as we identify funding for these strategies in the upcoming budget process.

Folks, we are a city on the move. We are tackling the issues and improving our neighborhoods. Together, every day, we are making Los Angeles better than ever.

Warm regards,

Mitch O'Farrell

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**COMING UP - COUNCILMEMBER IN YOUR CORNER - GLASSELL PARK**



GLASSELL PARK - Join Los Angeles City Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell on **Saturday, February 27, 9:30 a.m.**, for his next beautification event and community walk to meet neighbors and distribute important contact information for free city services.

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## HEADLINES

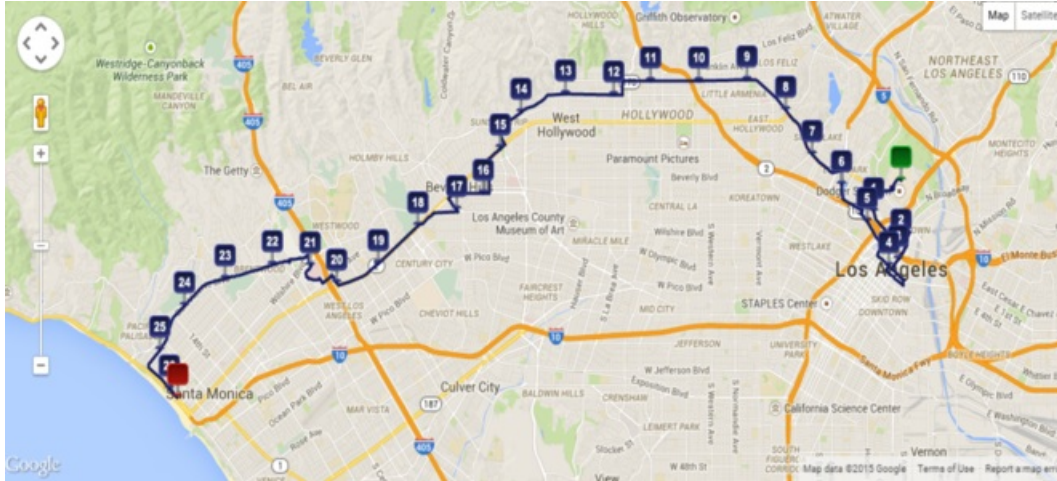
Koreatown is about to get some affordable housing units [\[LA TIMES\]](#)

New pedestrian signal makes crossing safer in East Hollywood [\[BEVERLY PRESS\]](#)

Councilmember O'Farrell delivers third State of Hollywood address [\[LA THIS WEEK\]](#)

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## TRAFFIC ADVISORY - THIS SUNDAY - PARKING RESTRICTIONS AND ALTERNATE ROUTES FOR LA MARATHON



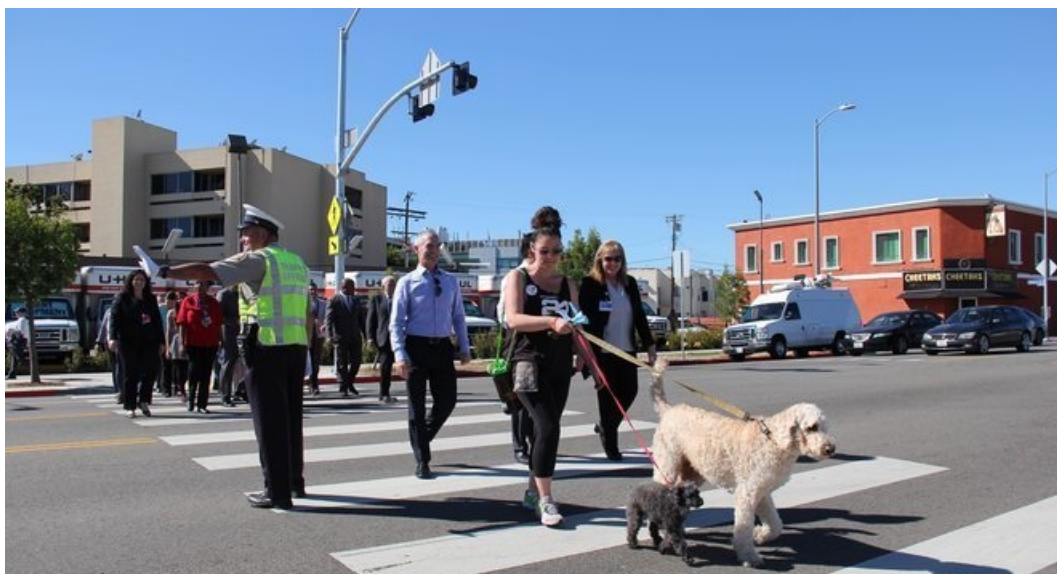
LOS ANGELES -- Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell urged his constituents to be aware of a major event scheduled to take place this weekend that will force the closure of Sunset Boulevard and many of its north-south arteries.

The 26.2-mile Skechers Performance LA Marathon will trek along a similar route to previous years, going from downtown's Dodger Stadium to the Pacific coast. The race begins on Sunday, February 14 at 6:30 a.m. for Wheelchairs, 6:32 a.m. for Handcranks, 6:45 a.m. for Elite Women's field, and 7:00 a.m. for all other participants.

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## O'FARRELL FLIPS SWITCH ON NEW PEDESTRIAN WARNING SIGNAL ON HOLLYWOOD BLVD



EAST HOLLYWOOD - Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell flipped the switch on a newly installed Advance Pedestrian Warning Device at Hollywood Boulevard and Lyman Place in East Hollywood. This flashing yellow light will alert motorists to pedestrians crossing, and provide improved access for those walking along this commercial corridor. A big thank you to the Los Angeles Department of Transportation for working with CD13 on this much needed neighborhood enhancement!

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## NEW FOUR WAY STOP CALMS CUT-THROUGH TRAFFIC AT BONNIE BRAE AND KENT STREETS



ECHO PARK - Councilmember O'Farrell worked with the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) to install a four-way stop at Bonnie Brae and Kent Streets in record time! Five weeks ago, a constituent alerted our office about this heavily traveled intersection, which has become a cut through in recent years. The new signs and street markings will create an even safer neighborhood experience. Thanks LADOT for the quick turn around!

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## O'FARRELL HELPS BREAK GROUND ON 100 UNITS OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING



KOREATOWN - Councilmember O'Farrell joined AMCAL and community leaders to break ground on the Meridian Apartments project near the Vermont/Beverly Metro Station. "I am committed to finding solutions to our affordable housing crisis in the City, which is why my team has been actively supportive of this project since taking office," said O'Farrell. "The project will provide 100 affordable units to low income families in my district, and is a truly sustainable development that will improve the built environment near a major transit corridor in the City of Los Angeles."

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## TEAM MITCH MAKING A DIFFERENCE - LARGA AVENUE



## MITCH O'FARRELL

COUNCILMEMBER, 13TH DISTRICT



**BEFORE**

**AFTER**



ATWATER VILLAGE -- A resident on Larga Ave in Atwater Village reported that palm fronds had been on his street for weeks. Within 24 hours, the CD13 Clean Team was able to respond and fulfill this request! Please report fallen palm fronds to the City by calling 311, or my community organizer Sylvan De La Cruz at 213-207-3015.

[SEE MORE BEFORE AND AFTER PHOTOS ON FACEBOOK](#)

### LOS ANGELES PUBLIC LIBRARY: OUR LOVE IS BLIND TO OVERDUE BOOKS

LOS ANGELES PUBLIC LIBRARY 

**OUR LOVE IS BLIND.**  
**(TO OVERDUE BOOKS)**

From February 1-14, return your overdue Los Angeles Public Library materials with no overdue fines.

LOS ANGELES - As part of a new promotion to get Angelenos to visit the public library, overdue book fees will be waived through Valentine's Day.

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### PHOTO OF THE WEEK



HOLLYWOOD - Congratulations Maná on receiving a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame!

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